

**WASHINGTON STATE FERRIES**

**M. V. RHODODENDRON DRYDOCKING**

**CONTRACT NO. 00-7055**

**INVITATION FOR BIDS**

Washington State Ferries, a division of Washington State Department of Transportation (hereinafter called "WSF"), issues this notice of Invitation For Bids (IFB) for the following described project:

The Contract Work consists of the following repairs to the ferry M.V. Rhododendron: drydock the vessel for U.S. Coast Guard Credit drydocking; including inspection of sea valves, propellers, propeller shafts, rudders, internal and external hull surfaces; prepare and paint various areas on the hull; and other related maintenance work, as specified in the IFB Technical Specifications. The vessel is 227'6" x 62'0", and carries 65 vehicles and 546 passengers. All work must be performed within Puget Sound, Washington during the period of February 13 – 24, 2006.

Bidders must be prequalified by WSF in Class 82 work, "Drydocking and Hull Repairs" prior to the bid due date. **The bid due date / time is 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 8, 2005.**

Certified Minority and Women Business Enterprises (MWBE) are encouraged to participate in the IFB process.

Interested parties may obtain an IFB package from the following WSF office for a **non-refundable** fee of \$25.00. The IFB will also be posted on the following WSF web site on or after November 16<sup>th</sup> [www.wsdot.wa.gov/ferries/contracts](http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/ferries/contracts). Informational copies of the IFB package will be on file at various plan centers, WSDOT Support Services and at WSF.

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WSF assumes no obligation of any kind for expenses incurred by a respondent to this Notice or the IFB package.